ITEM #7 07-25-2017 Meeting



Town of Glastonbury

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Richard J. Johnson Town Manager

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The Glastonbury Town Council 2155 Main Street Glastonbury, CT 06033

Dear Council Members:

Re: Town Manager's Report

The following will keep you up-to-date on various topics.

a. Sidewalks - CGS 8-24.

By action at its Tuesday, July 19th meeting, the TP&Z unanimously approved a favorable recommendation under CGS Section 8-24 for new sidewalk construction. This includes sections along Route 17/Main Street near Hopewell Road, and Addison Road between Norman Drive and Hebron Avenue. Construction to proceed this fall.

b. Roundabout - Hebron Avenue at House Street.

Despite best efforts to finalize the design and complete the state and federal review and approval process, construction this year is not reasonably possible. State DOT is now forecasting a November 2017 authorization to bid date. Accordingly, design and approvals will be finalized and the project bid for spring 2018 construction, to be followed by the pavement rehabilitation between Sycamore and Main Street.

For roundabout construction now in progress, the contractor has supplemented existing staff with a second crew and Town staff working to expedite work as possible.

c. Snow and Ice Materials.

As discussed previously, the Town produces a brine material to place on roads during winter storm operations. This is a combination of salt (sodium chloride - 22-23%) and water. This is a straight-forward blend of the 2 materials – salt and water. The Town also uses the Cargill Deicing technology. This material is comprised of sodium chloride, magnesium chloride and diammonium phosphate. Working through CRCOG, vendors have confirmed in writing that the deicing formula does not include materials from fracking operations. Town staff are contacting bituminous concrete providers to discuss this topic.

Sincerely

Richard J. Johnson Town Manager

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